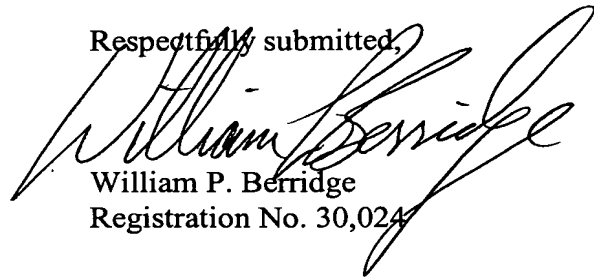


**REMARKS**

Claims 1 - 12 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 - 12 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies, to remove reference numerals and to better conform the claims to U.S. practice. The specification is also amended to include the Abstract. No new matter is added. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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